created for research on most imporant aspects of genomics relevant to India, specially for studying the genetic disorders.

Litigations against CSIR by its Employees

771. SHRI C. O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of litigations, filed by the employees of council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), in which CSIR is a respondent, are pending in various Tribunals and Courts all over the country; and

(b) if so, the number of such cases filed, pending, disposed and dismissed in various Tribunals and Courts all over the country alongwith the money spent as fees to the lawyers laboratory-wise and category-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) A state showing details like the number of cases filed, pending, disposed and dismissed in various Tribunals and Courts alongwith the money spent as fees to lawyers laboratory-wise and category-wise is enclosed as Annexure. [*See* Appendix 190, Annexure No. 2]

Purchasing of Instruments in CSIR

772. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it s a fact that instruments of worth many lakhs were purchased in the Centre of Biochemical Technology, a constituent establishment of CSIR, for the last three years;

(b) if so, the details—name and cost of the instrument, date of inviting quotation, quotation received etc.—of the purchase of instruments of value more than fifty thousand done in CBT for the last three year; and